

Amendments to the Claims

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of the claims in this application.

Listing of the Claims

Claims 1-109 (Canceled)

Claim 110 (Currently amended): A method of sanitizing a hard surface contaminated by a bacterial species and located in an area accessed by immunocompromised patients comprising:

- (a) providing a hard surface located in an area accessed by immunocompromised patients;
- (b) providing a composition ~~comprising~~ consisting essentially of at least one bacteriophage that targets said bacterial species, wherein the bacteriophage concentration is 10^5 - 10^{11} PFU/ml;
- (c) applying the composition to the hard surface; and
- (d) reducing the microbial count of said bacterial species on the hard surface by at least about one log.

Claim 111 (Previously presented): The method of claim 110, wherein said area accessed by immunocompromised patients is a cancer care center, intensive care unit or organ transplant center.

Claim 112 (Previously presented): The method of claim 110, wherein said immunocompromised patients are cancer, leukemia, lymphoma, transplant or AIDS patients.

Claim 113 (Previously presented): The method of claim 110, wherein said area is an area where patients therein are susceptible to nosocomial infection due to pathogens.

Claim 114 (Previously presented): The method of claim 110, wherein said area is an area where patients therein are susceptible to highly-contagious bacterial diseases.

Claim 115 (Previously presented): The method of claim 114, wherein said highly-contagious bacterial disease is meningitis or a bacterial disease caused by enteric infections.

Claim 116 (Currently amended): The method of claim 110, wherein said bacteriophage targets an antibiotic resistant bacterium or bacterium resistant to disinfectant.

Claim 117 (Previously presented): The method of claim 116, wherein said antibiotic-resistant bacterium is VRE, MDRSA or multi-drug resistant *Pseudomonas*.

Claim 118 (Currently amended): A method of sanitizing equipment contaminated by a bacterial species comprising:

- (a) providing equipment;
- (b) providing a composition ~~comprising~~ consisting essentially of at least one bacteriophage that targets said bacterial species, wherein the bacteriophage concentration is 10^5 - 10^{11} PFU/ml;
- (c) applying the composition to the equipment; and
- (d) reducing the microbial count of said bacterial species on the equipment by at least about one log.

Claim 119 (Previously presented): The method of claim 118, wherein said equipment is an endoscope or respiratory therapy device.

Claim 120 (Previously presented): The method of claim 119, wherein said respiratory therapy device is a ventilator, inhaler, or respirator.

Claim 121 (Previously presented): The method of claim 118, wherein said equipment is a cardiovascular assist device, intraaortic balloon pump, or infusion device.

Claim 122 (Previously presented): The method of claim 118, wherein said equipment is an electrocardiograph, television, monitor, remote control, telephone, bed, gurney, wheel chair, or surgical table.

Claims 123-124 (Canceled)

Claim 125 (New): The method of claim 110, wherein the bacteriophage concentration is 10^5 - 10^9 PFU/ml.

Claim 126 (New): The method of claim 110, wherein the bacteriophage concentration is 10^7 - 10^{11} PFU/ml.

Claim 127 (New): The method of claim 118, wherein the bacteriophage concentration is 10^5 - 10^9 PFU/ml.

Claim 128 (New): The method of claim 118, wherein the bacteriophage concentration is 10^7 - 10^{11} PFU/ml.